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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A compound of formula (1):

$$(R^4)_m$$

$$(1)$$

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$$(1)$$

wherein:

A is phenylene;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

m is 0, 1 or 2;

 R^1 is independently selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkylcarbamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkyl)₂carbamoyl, sulphamoyl, N-(1-4C)alkylsulphamoyl, N-((1-4C)alkyl)₂sulphamoyl, $-S(O)_b(1-4C)$ alkyl (wherein b is 0,1,or 2), $-OS(O)_2(1-4C)$ alkyl, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkynyl, (1-4C)alkoxy, (1-4C)alkanoyl, (1-4C)alkanoyloxy, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy and $-NHSO_2(1-4C)$ alkyl;

or, when n is 2, the two R¹ groups, together with the carbon atoms of A to which they are attached, may form a 4 to 7 membered saturated <u>carbocyclic</u> ring optionally being substituted by one or two methyl groups;

R⁴ is independently selected from halo, nitro, cyano, hydroxy, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, carboxy, carbamoyl, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkenyl, (2-4C)alkynyl, (1-4C)alkoxy and (1-4C)alkanoyl;

r is 1 or 2; and

when r is 1 the group

$$(R^4)_m$$
 N
 N
 N

is a substituent on carbon (2) and

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when r is 2 (thereby forming a six membered ring) the same group is a substituent on carbon (2) or on carbon (3);

Y is selected from $-C(O)R^2$, $-C(O)OR^2$, $-C(O)NR^2R^3$, -(1-4C) alkyl [eptionally which is unsubstituted or substituted by 1 or 2 substituents independently selected from hydroxy, $-C=NR^2$, (1-4C) alkoxy, aryloxy, $-S(O)_bR^2$ (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2), $-O-S(O)_bR^2$ (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, $-NR^2R^3$, $-N(OH)R^2$, $-NR^2C(=O)R^2$, $-NHOHC(=O)R^2$, $-SO_2NR^2R^3$, $-N(R^2)SO_2R^2$ and $\frac{aryl-1}{2}$ aryl, -C(O)NOH, -C(O)NSH, -C(N)OH, $-SO_2H$, $-SO_3H$, $-SO_2N(OH)R^2$, -(2-4C) alkenyl, $-SO_2NR^2R^3$, -(1-4C) alkyl $-C(O)R^2$, aryl, -(1-4C) alkyl $-C(O)R^2$, are independently selected from hydrogen, -O(1-4C) alkyl, -S(1-4C) alkyl, -S(1-4C) alkyl, aryl and $-S(O)_cR^2$ (wherein c is 0, 1 or 2) wherein c is 0, 1 or 2; -C(1-4C) alkyl, aryl and -C(1-4C) alkyl.

R⁸ is independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, (1-4C)alkyl, (2-4C)alkenyl, (1-4C)alkoxy, cyano(1-4C)alkyl, amino(1-4C)alkyl foptionally which is unsubstituted or substituted on nitrogen by 1 or 2 groups selected from (1-4C)alkyl, hydroxy, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, dihydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, -CO₂(1-4C)alkyl, aryl and aryl(1-4C)alkyl aryl(1-4C)alkyl, halo(1-4C)alkyl, dihalo(1-4C)alkyl, trihalo(1-4C)alkyl, hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, dihydroxy(1-4C)alkyl, (1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkoxy, (1-4C)alkoxy(1-4C)alkyl, hydroxy(1-4C)alkoxy, , aryl, (3-7C)cycloalkyl (optionally which is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 or 2 hydroxy groups, (1-4C)alkyl or -CO₂(1-4C)alkyl) -CO₂(1-4C)alkyl, (1-4C)alkanoyl, (1-4C)alkylS(O)_b- (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2) wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, (3-6C)cycloalkylS(O)_b-(wherein b is 0, 1 or 2) wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, aryIS(O)_b- (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2) wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, benzylS(O)_b- (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2) wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, (1-4C)alkylS(O)_c(1-4C)alkyl- (wherein c is 0, 1 or 2) wherein c is 0, 1 or 2, -N(OH)CHO, $-C(=N-OH)NH_2$, -C(=N-OH)NH(1-4C)alkyl, -C(=N-OH)N((1-4C)alkyl)₂, -C(=N-OH)NH(3-6C)cycloalkyl, -C(=N-OH)N((3-6C)cycloalkyl)₂, -COCOOR⁹, $-C(O)N(R^9)(R^{10})$, $-NHC(O)R^9$, $-C(O)NHSO_2(1-4C)$ alkyl, $-NHSO_2R^9$, $(R^9)(R^{10})NSO_2$ -, -COCH₂OR¹¹, -COCH₂OH, (R⁹)(R¹⁰)N-, -COOR⁹, -CH₂OR⁹, -CH₂COOR⁹, -CH₂OCOR⁹, $-CH_2CH(CO_2R^9)OH$, $-CH_2C(O)NR^9R^{10}$, $-(CH_2)_wCH(NR^9R^{10})CO_2R^{9'}$ (wherein w is 1, 2 or 3), and -(CH₂)_wCH(NR⁹R¹⁰)CO(NR⁹'R¹⁰') (wherein w is 1, 2 or 3); R⁹, R⁹, R¹⁰ and R¹⁰ are independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, (1-4C)alkyl (optionally substituted by 1 or 2 R¹¹) which is unsubstituted or substituted by 1 or 2 R¹¹,

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(2-4C)alkenyl, (3-7C)cycloalkyl (optionally substituted by 1 or 2 hydroxy groups) which is unsubstituted or substituted by 1 or 2 hydroxy groups, cyano(1-4C)alkyl, trihalo(1-4C)alkyl, aryl, -CO₂(1-4C)alkyl;

R¹¹ is independently selected from (1-4C)alkyl, and hydroxy(1-4C)alkyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 2. (cancelled).
- 3. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1, wherein n is 0.
- 4 (previously presented) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein r is 1.
- 5. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein m is 1.
- 6. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein Y is selected from –C(O)OR², -C(O)NR²R³, -(1-4C)alkyl [optionally which is unsubstituted or substituted by a substituent selected from hydroxy, (1-4C)alkoxy, -S(O)_bR² (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2) wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, -O-S(O)_bR² (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, -NR²R³, -NR²C(=O)R² and -SO₂NR²R³] -SO₂NR²R³, -(1-4C)alkylC(O)R², -(1-4C)alkylC(O)R², -(1-4C)alkylC(O)R², -(1-4C)alkylC(O)R², -(1-4C)alkylN(R²)C(O)OR², -(1-4C)alkylN(R²)C(O)OR², -(1-4C)alkylN(R²)C(O)NR²R³, -(1-4C)alkylSC(O)R², -(1-4C)alkylOC(O)NR²R³, -(1-4C)alkylSC(O)R², -(1-4C)alkylSC(O)NR²R³, -(1-4C)alkylSC(O)NR²
- 7. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein R² and R³ are independently selected from hydrogen, [[,]] -O(1-4C)alkyl, -N(1-4C)alkyl, (1-4C)alkyl [optionally substituted by 1 or 2 R⁸-groups] which is unsubstituted or substituted by 1 or 2 R⁸ groups.
- 8. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein R⁸ is independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, -C(O)N(R⁹)(R¹⁰), -NHC(O)R⁹, -COOR⁹, -CH₂OR⁹, -CH₂COOR⁹, -CH₂OCOR⁹ and aryl.

- 9. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein R⁹ and R¹⁰ are independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy and (1-4C)alkyl) (1-4C)alkyl.
- 10. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 in association with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.
- 11-15 (cancelled)
- 16. (withdrawn) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1, which process comprises: reacting an acid of the formula (2):

$$(R^4)_m$$
 OH N OH

or an activated derivative thereof; with an amine of formula (3):

$$NH_2 \xrightarrow{Y} A \xrightarrow{} (R^1)_n$$
(3)

and thereafter if necessary:

- i) converting a compound of the formula (1) into another compound of the formula (1);
- ii) removing any protecting groups;
- iii) forming a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.
- 17. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in claim 1 wherein \mathbb{R}^4 is selected from chloro, fluoro and methyl.
- 18. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (I)

$$(\mathbb{R}^4)_{m} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{NH}} \overset{\mathsf{O}}{\mathsf{H}} \overset{\mathsf{(2)}}{\mathsf{(1)}} \overset{\mathsf{(1)}}{\mathsf{A}} \overset{\mathsf{(R^1)}_{n}}{\mathsf{(R^2)}_{n}}$$

wherein

A is phenylene;

n is 0;

m is 1;

R⁴ is chloro;

Y is selected from $-C(O)OR^2$, $-C(O)NR^2R^3$, -(1-4C)alkyl [optionally which is unsubstituted or substituted by a substituent selected from $-S(O)_bR^2$ (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, $-O-S(O)_bR^2$ (wherein b is 0, 1 or 2, $-NR^2R^3$, $-NR^2C(=O)R^2$ and $-SO_2NR^2R^3$] $-SO_2NR^2R^3$, $-(1-4C)alkylC(O)OR^2$, $-(1-4C)alkylOC(O)R^2$, $-(1-4C)alkylSO(O)R^2$, -(1-4C

19. (previously presented) A compound of the formula (I) selected from Methyl (1*R*,2*R*)-2-{[(5-chloro-1*H*-indole-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}indane-1-carboxylate; 5-Chloro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-(hydroxymethyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-indole-2-carboxamide; (1*R*,2*R*)-2-{[(5-chloro-1*H*-indole-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}indane-1-carboxylic acid; 5-Fluoro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-({[(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl}methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-

5-Fluoro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-({[(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl}methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-ylj-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

 $N-[(1R,2R)-1-(\{[(2-Hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl\}methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1<math>H$ -inden-2-yl]-5-methyl-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;

 $N-[(1R,2R)-1-(\{[(2-Hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl\}methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1<math>H$ -inden-2-yl]-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Chloro-*N*-[(1*R*,2*R*)-1-({[(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]sulfonyl}methyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl]-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Fluoro-N-((1R,2R)-1-{[(3-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl}-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;

 $N-((1R,2R)-1-\{[(3-Hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl\}-2,3-dihydro-1<math>H$ -inden-2-yl)-5-methyl-1H-indel-2-carboxamide;

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N-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-{[(3-Hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

5-Chloro-*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-{[(3-hydroxypropyl)sulfonyl]methyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide:

 $[((1R,2R)-2-\{[(5-Chloro-1H-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)thio]acetic acid:$

Methyl [((1*R*,2*R*)-2-{[(5-chloro-1*H*-indol-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-yl)thio]acetate;

5-Fluoro-N-((1R,2R)-1-{[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl}-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl)-1H-indole-2-carboxamide ;

5-Chloro-*N*-((1*R*,2*R*)-1-{[(2-hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl}-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-2-carboxamide;

 $N-((1R,2R)-1-\{[(2-Hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl\}-2,3-dihydro-1<math>H$ -inden-2-yl)-5-methyl-1H-indole-2-carboxamide;

 $N-((1R,2R)-1-\{[(2-Hydroxyethyl)sulfonyl]methyl\}-2,3-dihydro-1<math>H$ -inden-2-yl)-1H-indole-2-carboxamide; and

 $N-\{(1R,2R)-1-[(2-Amino-2-oxoethyl)thio]-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-2-yl\}-5-chloro-1H-indole-2-carboxamide.$

- 20. (withdrawn) A method of producing a glycogen phosphorylase inhibitory effect in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.
- 21. (withdrawn) A method of treating type 2 diabetes, insulin resistance, syndrome X, hyperinsulinaemia, hyperglucagonaemia, cardiac ischaemia or obesity in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.
- 22. (withdrawn) A method of treating type 2 diabetes in a warm-blooded animal, such as man, in need of such treatment which comprises administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of formula (1) as claimed in claim 1.